

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

THE SADLER HOUSE

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 411 Virginia Ave.

second

CITY, TOWN

Towson Md.

VICINITY OF Baltimore

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☐ BUILDING(S)
☒ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☒ PUBLIC
☐ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE
☐ COMMERCIAL
☐ EDUCATIONAL
☐ ENTERTAINMENT
☐ GOVERNMENT
☐ INDUSTRIAL
☐ MILITARY
☐ MUSEUM
☒ PARK
☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME William J. and Sadie Sadler

Telephone # 828-0196

STREET & NUMBER 411 Virginia Ave.

CITY, TOWN Towson Md. 21204

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Baltimore County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #: 1585:401

STREET & NUMBER 401 Bosley Ave.

CITY, TOWN Towson Md. 21204

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

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(before 1877?) - 1915 - 1927

A large front room containing a stair is followed by service rooms to the rear. The two-story frame house is two bays wide by three bays deep. The surviving woodwork includes the mantel, carved porch brackets, and cut-out barge boards. A large and prominent dormer rises from the roof.

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

411 Virginia

This two-story frame house displays many charming features which set it apart from the other houses in the neighborhood. The north-south running gable roof is divided by a cross gable with short side walls rising from the main body of the house. The bargeboard is decorated with a lacy pattern of alternating points and trefoils. The bargeboards and eaves of the main gables are similarly decorated. The cross-gable is lit by an arched window. Positioned directly below this window, lighting the second floor, two 2/2 sash windows flank a central 2-pane window whose perimeter is divided into smaller rectangles and squares of glass. On the first floor, a transomed door on the south leads into the parlor, while two attached 2/2 windows to the north of the facade share a shallow fanlight spanning their heads. The shed-roofed, balustraded porch features turned posts and scroll-work brackets. The house is covered with brown asphalt imitating brick.

The front parlor has a closed stair on the north wall. A stair to the cellar runs to the main stair. A fireplace appears on the west wall. Its mantel is supported by brackets featuring exaggerated beads and concave curves. The foot of the bracket is decorated with a tiny raised panel and ends in three points. The mantel pilasters display a shallow convex curve flanked by small ogee moldings. The complex molding forming the face of the mantel includes cavettos, quirk ogees, and beads.

Two rooms, one behind the other, are located behind the parlor. Each has a stove flue on its east wall. Architraves in the west room are composed of a shallow convex curve with a bead to either side. They intersect in circled corner blocks. Windows in these two back rooms contain 6/6 sash. A one-story shed-roofed addition runs along the south side of the back rooms. It houses two small rooms, one on either side of an open porch.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house was built by the Johnson family around 1907, when E. Towson experienced a tremendous amount of growth. The Johnson family continued to reside at this location until the property was sold to the Sadlers in the early thirties. The Sadlers have resided in this house since that time.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Marcus Pollock/coordinator Merry Stinson/architect 7/77

ORGANIZATION

Committee to Save E. Towson/Towson Ymca

DATE

823-8870

STREET & NUMBER

600 W. Chesapeake Ave.

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Towson Md. 21204

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
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411 Virginia

Towson, Md.

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Merry Stinson

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